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## Letters to The Times

### Our Latin Policy

TO THE EDITOR:

The bloodless military coup which has ousted President Goulart is a triumph for President Johnson's Latin-American policy. First he quietly recognizes the dictatorships of the Dominican Republic and Honduras. Then his Assistant Secretary of State Mann briefs the press to the effect that the United States will support any anti-Communist government, whether elected or not, and now Brazil.

Mr. Johnson and the C.I.A. can congratulate themselves. They seem determined to prove the theory of Mao Tse-tung that, at least in Latin America, a peaceful, parliamentary transition to socialism is impossible; that the United States will prevent such a development by every means at its disposal.

The people of Chile are now served a warning that they had better not elect the left-of-center coalition.

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Gainesville, Fla., April 4, 1964.

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